

ditions. With such exchanges in operation the worker subject to periods of unemployment could live a distance out in the country and when unemployed, instead of wasting his time wandering around looking for work, could spend his time profitably on his land until the exchange notified him that there was employment awaiting him.

In a paper on "Notification of Tuberculosis," Miss Eunice Dyke stated that more than double the number of deaths from consumption had been reported last year than cases of consumption reported during the same period. The law requires all physicians to report every case that comes under their notice to the authorities, but doctors had in many instances failed to comply with the law, as not half of the cases were reported. This does not apply to Toronto.

Dr. Hastings explained that a very large number of contact cases of tuberculosis in its early and curable stages are discovered by the nurses visiting homes where a member of the family is affected by the disease. In this way prevention is brought into operation and the disease is arrested by treatment at the Preventorium.

Prof. S. M. Gunn, of Boston, discussed the relation of health to charitable work, and urged that public charities should be under the control of the local department of health. In a large number of cases the recipients of public charity were those living under conditions most inimical to health. Miss Eunice Dyke, in speaking of the work of the district nursing staff, explained the handling of tuberculosis cases and the system of notification. In this particular she laid stress upon the fact that many cases were reported by the nurses that should have been co-operating fully in fighting tuberculosis.

The association will held its next convention at Quebec, the invitation of the Mayor of Quebec having been accepted.

Dr. C. J. C. O. Hastings, of Toronto, was elected as president of the association for the ensuing year, Dr. P. H. Bryce, of Ottawa, being chosen as honorary president. Dr. Hutchinson was elected vice-president; Dr. Geo. B. Porter, treasurer, and Dr. O. C. J. Withrow, secretary.

The following provincial vice-presidents were elected: Ontario, Dr. F. A. Dallyn; Manitoba, Dr. Douglas; Saskatchewan, Dr. McMillan; Alberta, Dr. Revel; British Columbia, Dr. Underhill; Nova Scotia, Dr. Hall; New Brunswick, Dr. Warwick; Prince Edward Island, Dr. Johnston.

PREVENTIVE MEDICINE.

It is officially stated that six thousand eight hundred babies die every year in Ontario; and it is estimated that at least three thousand